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## 120 students earn All-State Scholars honor

MADISON—Student academic excellence takes center stage April 30 at the Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center in Madison as Wisconsin recognizes 120 students who have been named All-State Scholars.

“Students who have excelled at their academic studies deserve recognition and praise for their efforts,” said State Superintendent Elizabeth Burmaster. “However, along with honoring our All-State Scholars, we commend the scholars’ families and teachers. Their parents provided encouragement and supported the efforts of our state’s professional educators. Teachers provided the quality learning experiences that contributed to the success of these students.”

Public and private high school principals throughout the state nominated seniors for consideration in the All-State Scholars program. Principals of schools with 400 or fewer students could nominate one graduating senior to the program. Schools with enrollments between 401 and 999 could nominate two graduating seniors, and schools with 1,000 or more students could nominate three graduating seniors. A representative committee, appointed by the Association of Wisconsin School Administrators, chose winners from among nominees in each of the state’s eight congressional districts.

Selection of the All-State Scholars was based primarily on students’ overall high school grade-point average and ACT or SAT scores. In the event of a tie, judges consider student statements, extracurricular activities, and leadership. Scholars will receive the federal Robert C. Byrd honors scholarship of \$1,500, which may be renewed for an additional three years if students maintain satisfactory enrollment with their chosen college and if the federal government provides funding.

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Founded in 1986 by Robert Spiegel, then editor of the Wisconsin State Journal, the All-State Scholars program was one of the first of its kind in the nation to recognize students for dedication to their academic studies. The Association of Wisconsin School Administrators' Wisconsin Foundation for Educational Administration, Wisconsin State Journal, Wisconsin Education Association Council, and Department of Public Instruction are program sponsors.

Harold Scheub of the University of Wisconsin-Madison and one of the world's leading scholars of African folktales, will address the All-State Scholars during the awards program. Other participants in the program include Tom Beattie, executive director of the Association of Wisconsin School Administrators; Scott Milfred, editorial page editor for the Wisconsin State Journal; Linnae Riesen, writer for the Wisconsin Education Association Council; and Mike Thompson, executive assistant to the state superintendent of public instruction.

A list of the 2006 All-State Scholars, by congressional district, follows.

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# 2006 All-State Scholars

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## **Congressional District 1**

Kara Barnhart of Hales Corners  
Whitnall High School, Greenfield

Michael Behling  
Greenfield High School

Michael J. Franke  
The Prairie School, Racine

Bonnie S. Garvens of Elkhorn  
East Troy High School

Wenlu Gu  
Case High School, Racine

Tara Haase  
Horlick High School, Racine

Justin A. Harris of Franksville  
Case High School, Racine

Benjamin Hauch  
Case High School, Racine

Rachel Jenks  
Parker High School, Janesville

Stephanie Karshna of Wind Lake  
Muskego High School

Rachel Kinzelman  
Park High School, Racine

Gavin Kirchner  
Waterford Union High School

Amy M. Lange of Franksville  
Union Grove Union High School

Tylor Lewis  
Waterford Union High School

Elizabeth Umhoefer  
Franklin High School

## **Congressional District 2**

Lauren M. Brown  
La Follette High School, Madison

Daniel Bruce  
Middleton High School

Samantha K. Collins  
Waunakee Community High School

Brian Lee  
Memorial High School, Madison

Adeyinka Lesi  
West High School, Madison

Neil N. Liu  
Memorial High School, Madison

Edson T. Makuluni  
Memorial High School, Madison

Sean P. McVenes  
Baraboo High School

Shannon Paulson  
New Glarus High School

Alexander Pinigis  
East High School, Madison

Yaoli Pu  
West High School, Madison

Sarah Scallon of Cross Plains  
Middleton High School

Mitchell D. Shanklin  
La Follette High School, Madison

David G. Sterken  
Middleton High School

Mary Thurber  
West High School, Madison

## **Congressional District 3**

Ankur Asthana  
Menomonie High School

Paul Brandt  
North High School, Eau Claire

Amy Dalecki  
Platteville High School

Rebecca Edmunds of Galesville  
Arcadia High School

Brent Hanson  
Onalaska High School

Isa Julson  
Boyceville High School

Amy Kolpin  
River Falls High School

Michael Kujak  
River Falls High School

Kirsten Lacksonen  
Menomonie High School

Madeline R. Magee  
Ithaca High School, Richland Center

Jason Mielens  
Menomonie High School

David L. Neuschwander  
Hudson High School

David Ranscht  
Central High School, La Crosse

Mary Roth  
Onalaska High School

Devin West  
Logan High School, La Crosse

## **Congressional District 4**

Adam C. Breihan  
Riverside University High School  
Milwaukee

Ann Chodara  
Nathan Hale High School, West Allis

Julia Chou  
Rufus King High School, Milwaukee

Matthew J. Clark of Mequon  
Marquette University High School  
Milwaukee

Riley P. English of Wauwatosa  
Marquette University High School  
Milwaukee

Jacob Fritz  
Wisconsin Lutheran High School  
Milwaukee

Sarah Hinkfuss  
Milwaukee Rufus King High School  
Milwaukee

Kelley Kadunc  
Nathan Hale High School, West Allis

Ariel Kleman of Milwaukee  
Thomas More High School  
Saint Francis

Eva Lam  
Rufus King High School, Milwaukee

Rebekah Oakes of New Berlin  
Nathan Hale High School, West Allis

Christine Olson of Oak Creek  
South Milwaukee High School

Jeffrey J. Schlapinski of Franklin  
Marquette University High School  
Milwaukee

Chelsea Sobiech  
South Milwaukee High School

William J. Unruh of Sussex  
Wisconsin Lutheran High School  
Milwaukee

## **Congressional District 5**

Michael J. Dixon  
Cedarburg High School

Amy Elbert  
Central High School, Brookfield

Michael Geracie  
East High School, Brookfield

Jacob A. Graber  
East High School, Wauwatosa

Kathryn Gromowski  
Central High School, Brookfield

Nora Jacobsen  
Whitefish Bay High School

Nathaniel D. Little  
Cedarburg High School

Maura A. Otto of Brookfield  
Divine Savior Holy Angels High  
School, Milwaukee

Lindsey Roeker of Pewaukee  
Arrowhead High School, Hartland

Kent Rosenwald  
North High School, Waukesha

Devin Streur  
Nicolet High School, Glendale

Alex Thompson  
South High School, Waukesha

Gregory Umhoefer  
Arrowhead High School, Hartland

Erica Wagner  
Eisenhower High School  
New Berlin

Yuzhou Wu  
West High School, Waukesha

### **Congressional District 6**

Jeffrey D. Bonde  
Kiel High School

Nathan Griffith  
North High School, Sheboygan

Nicole Grimmer  
Neenah High School

Yichen Hu  
West High School, Oshkosh

Alexandra Joyce  
Fond du Lac High School

Brian D. Kemps of Kaukauna  
St. Mary Central High School  
Neenah

Cori Sue Legemaat of Waldo  
Oostburg High School

James Lehman of Neshkoro  
Wautoma High School

Leanne Matthews  
Fond du Lac High School

Sara Polodna  
Fond du Lac High School

Britta Rowan  
Beaver Dam High School

Parvathi Santhosh-Kumar of Kohler  
North High School, Sheboygan

Jared A. Van Dyke  
Hustisford High School

Brandon Walker  
West High School, Oshkosh

Rebecca Zink  
West High School, Oshkosh

### **Congressional District 7**

Allison Aul  
Rice Lake High School

Stephen Bant  
Prentice High School

Lindsay Berger of Mosinee  
D.C. Everest Senior High School  
Weston

Aaron Brown  
West High School, Wausau

Sarah Crump  
Marshfield High School

Jeffrey Drengler  
West High School, Wausau

Andrew Lawrence of Wausau  
D.C. Everest Senior High School  
Weston

Andrew M. Miller  
Columbus Catholic High School  
Marshfield

Sarah Normand of Jim Falls  
Chippewa Falls Senior High School

Robert P. Novak  
East High School, Wausau

Christopher Reding  
East High School, Wausau

Aaron Sampson  
Rice Lake High School

Anneka Wiersma  
Marshfield High School

Amanda L. Wierzba of Wausau  
Mosinee High School

Charles R. Workinger  
Marshfield High School

### **Congressional District 8**

Tiffany Born  
Preble High School, Green Bay

Julia Dai of Green Bay  
Ashwaubenon High School

Kirsten Dier  
North High School, Appleton

Adam Ernst  
Hortonville High School

Andrew Gloss  
Xavier High School, Appleton

Lydia Karch  
East High School, Appleton

Erin Kincheloe  
Southwest High School, Green Bay

Jennifer LaChapell  
Southwest High School, Green Bay

Nicole LaHaye  
Preble High School, Green Bay

Karena Malmgren of Sister Bay  
Gibraltar High School, Fish Creek

Matthew Rekoske  
Xavier High School, Appleton

Abigail Stellmacher  
North High School, Appleton

Nathan Swenson  
De Pere High School

Nicholas Wage  
East High School, Appleton

Kenneth Weinlander of Greenville  
Hortonville High School